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## NOTICE OF CONDEMNATION AS UNFIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION & ORDER TO VACATE

Joseph D Markie 1918 Ivy Ave St Paul MN 55119-3225

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Department of Safety and Inspections, Division of Code Enforcement, has determined that the dwelling and premises at **1918 IVY AVE E** is "Unfit for Human Habitation". In accordance with Saint Paul Legislative Code, Chapter 34, Section 23, the premises will be placarded on **July 17, 2018** and ordered vacated no later than **July 18, 2018**.

Your attention is called to the following provisions of Section 34.23, Subsection 6 entitled, *Vacation of Structure or Unit*:

"Any dwelling unit, structure or portion thereof which has been condemned or placarded as unfit for occupancy shall be vacated within the time set forth in the placard and/or order. No person shall occupy or let for occupancy any structure which is condemned."

THIS DWELLING SHALL NOT AGAIN BE USED FOR HUMAN HABITATION UNTIL WRITTEN APPROVAL IS SECURED FROM THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL; DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND INSPECTIONS, DIVISION OF CODE ENFORCEMENT. **<u>Principle Violations</u>**: These deficiencies must be corrected before this condemnation and vacate order will be removed.

1. The interior of the house constitutes material endangerment the natural gas has been turned off and the interior of the house lacks a basic facility. Lack of Natural Gas Service. Immediately restore natural gas service. Failure to provide natural gas service will result in these premises being declared Unfit for Human Habitation and ordered vacated for lack of this basic facility.

<u>**Other Violations**</u>: These deficiencies must be corrected in order to bring this property into compliance with the Saint Paul Legislative Code.

- 2. The exterior walls and/or trim of the house has defective, peeled, flaked, scaled or chalking paint or has unpainted wood surfaces. Scrape and repaint to effect a sound condition in a professional manner.
- 3. The roof OF THE HOUSE is deteriorated, defective, or in a state of disrepair. Repair or replace the roof covering to a sound, tight and water impervious condition. Permit may be required.
- 4. The window and/or door screens are missing, defective or in a state of disrepair. Provide proper window and door screens for all openable windows and doors. Screens must be tight-fitting and securely fastened to the frames.
- 5. SPLC 34.09 DOOR(S): All doors and its hardware shall be in sound condition and fit within its frame. Doors shall be maintained in a professional state of maintenance and repair. REPAIR OR REPLACE THE DAMAGED FRONT AND REAR SCREEN/STORM DOOR, HARDWARE, OR FRAME. SCREEN/STORM DOOR IS REQUIRED TO LATCH PROPERLY. REPAIR OR REPLACE THE MAIN REAR DOOR AND DOOR HANDLE.
- 6. The stairs have missing or defective handrails. Provide all interior and exterior stairways and steps of more that three (3) risers with handrails which are grippable and installed 34" to 38" above the nose of the stair treads.
- 7. The exterior walls and/or trim of the garage has defective, peeled, flaked, scaled or chalking paint or has unpainted wood surfaces. Scrape and repaint to effect a sound condition in a professional manner.
- 8. The exterior walls of the garage are defective. Repair all holes, breaks, loose or rotting siding, to a professional state of maintenance.
- 9. REPAIR OR REPLACE THE MISSING/DEFECTIVE RAIN SPOUT.
- 10. SANITATION: Immediately remove improperly stored or accumulated refuse including; garbage, rubbish, junk, vehicle parts, wood, metal, recycling materials, household items, building materials, rubble, tires, etc., from yard. The Saint Paul Legislative Code requires all exterior property areas to be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition. Usable materials must be stored in an approved manner, so as not to constitute a nuisance. REMOVE GARBAGE, RUBBISH, REFUSE, IMPROPERLY STORED ITEMS IN THE REAR YARD, REAR PORCH AND AROUND GARAGE.

Authorization to reoccupy this/these dwelling unit(s) will not be given until it is demonstrated that all principal violations have been corrected and that no new conditions exist which could

constitute material endangerment or which threaten the peace, health, safety or welfare of the occupants of this building.

All repairs and new installations must be made in accordance with the appropriate codes. Permit information may be obtained from the Building Inspection and Design Section, 375 Jackson Street, Suite 220, (651) 266-8989.

You may file an appeal to this notice by contacting the City Clerk's Office at (651) 266-8585. Any appeal must be made in writing within 10 days of the date of this notice.

It is the responsibility of the property owner to keep all buildings secured and to properly maintain the premises at all times.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact the Inspector, Stephan Suon, at 651-331-8273. To arrange an appointment or request an extension of time to complete repairs, you will need to speak directly to the inspector.

Sincerely,

## Stephan Suon

Enforcement Officer

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